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10/615,796	07/10/2003	Ian Kenneth Shepherd	2151.0050002	1916

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS AND APPARATUS RELATING TO THE FORMULATION AND TRADING OF INVESTMENT CONTRACTS

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Interview Summary

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Sir:

The undersigned conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner regarding the above-captioned matter on September 28, 2009. The Examiner agreed that U.S. Patent No. 6,622,130, which is the parent application of the above-captioned application, was considered during prosecution of the above-captioned matter.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the number provided with any inquiries regarding this Interview Summary.

Respectfully submitted,

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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating the allowability of independent claims 21, 29 and 30 in the Notice of Allowance dated June 26, 2009.

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicant notes the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance presented on page 2 of the Notice of Allowance. Applicant reserves the right to demonstrate independent claims 21, 29 and 30 are allowable over the art made of record for further reasons related to any of their recited features. Applicant further contends that reservation of this right does not give rise to any implication regarding whether the Applicant agrees with or acquiesces in the reasoning provided by the Examiner.

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